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SUBJECT: PAISLEY CLARIFIES TALK CONDITIONS

1. IN RADIO INTERVIEW NOVEMBER 12 REVEREND IAN PAISLEY LEADER OF DEMOCRATIC UNIONIST PARTY AND SITTING MP CLARIFIED CONDITIONS IN WHICH LOYALISTS WOULD (A) CONSULT WITH OTHER NORTHERN IRELAND POLITICAL ELEMENTS AND (B) SHARE POWER WITH NON-UNIONISTS. HE SAID SECSTATE MERLYN REES OR HAROLD WILSON COULD AT ANYTIME CHAIR MEETING OF TWELVE ULSTER MEMBERS PARLIAMENT AT WHICH UNIONISTS WOULD DISCUSS GAMUT OF SUBJECTS WITH FITT (SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC AND LABOUR PARTY MP) AND MAGUIRE (INDEPENDENT REPUBLICAN MP). PAISLEY SAID FORTHCOMING CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WOULD ALLOW ALL ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES FREE DISCUSSION AND THAT OPERATIONS COMMITTEES IN PROPOSING LEGISLATION WOULD ALLOW ALL ELEMENTS PARTICIPATE IN GOVERNMENT. AS FOR SHARING POWER AT EXECUTIVE LEVEL WITH "THOSE WHO WOULD DESTROY THIS COUNTRY, THAT IS DEFINITELY OUT" HE SAID.

2. PAISLEY CHARACTERISTICALLY COUNTER-ATTACKED CRITICS WHO BLAME UNIONISTS FOR REFUSAL PARTICIPATE IN ALL-PARTY CONFERENCE BEFORE CONVENTION ELECTIONS. "ONUS IS ON REES AND WILSON" HE SAID FOR FAILURE CONVENE ULSTER REPRESENTATIVES AT

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WESTMINSTER IN MEETING. HE DESCRIBED HMG INSISTENCE ON POWER-

SHARING IN ULSTER AS RIDICULOUS WHEN LABOUR GOVERNMENT WOULD
NOT CONSIDER SHARING POWER WITH MINORITY PARTY SUCH AS LIBERALS.

3. PAISLEY INSISTENCE ON HEEDING "WILL OF PEOPLE" AS
MANIFESTED IN VOTING RETURNS IS CONSISTENT CENTRAL THEME WITH
LOYALISTS. THEY EXPECT WIN SIZEABLE MAJORITY IN CONVENTION
ELECTIONS AND THERE NO RPT NO SIGN OF GRASS ROOTS DEMAND
AMONG VQJORITY POPULATION TO AWARD SHARE EXECUTIVE POWER TO
MINORITY REPRESENTATIVES.

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